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Ronald Barthel, Treasurer
National Reform Party Committee
6810 E. Coronado
Scottsdale, AZ 85257

Identification Number: C00329946

Reference: Statement of Organization dated 8/27/97

Dear Mr. Barthel:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your Statement of Organization indicates in Line 5(d) that you are a national committee for the Reform Party. A national committee is defined as the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the political party at the national level, as determined by the Commission. 2 U.S.C. §431(14)

Please be advised that before using the contribution limits and/or statutes applicable for national parties, your committee must petition the Commission in the form of an advisory opinion to determine if it satisfies the criteria for national party status.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

Wanda D. O'Neal
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